

Appl. No. 09/834,434

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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph on page 12, lines 4-6, with the following amended paragraph:

Figures ~~15A-E~~ 15A-F present sequencing results of the pyrE gene. Underlining indicates amino acid sequence; it is not continuous due to some sequence uncertainties. The indicated amino acids are the most probable. Bold type indicates putative/probable introns.